

From: [Karen "Geesey" Price \(DEQ\)](#)
To: [Fife, Greg](#)
Subject: RE: Anything new with LDEQ and Bayou Corne
Date: Thursday, March 21, 2013 3:28:06 PM

Hi Greg,

LDEQ continues to conduct the same air and water monitoring activities as well as oversight to the clean-up. Texas Brine is starting negotiations with the citizens regarding the buyouts. They will start negotiating first with the approximately 56 residents that are not represented by a lawyer.

TB has completed over 80% of the seismic survey and should complete by end of March. They had enough cooperation from the residents to get a good grid of area for the spacial view. The will need to interpret the data and may take month or so.

The base for the berm around the site has been completed. TB will work on completing the compacting, geofabricating and applying limestone but is slowed due to the seismic work. TB finalizing a plan for the water controls (weirs) to flow of water in and out of the berm. The berm and along with about 1,000 feet of boom, the sinkhole is completely contained. Had another burp Sunday, so limited removal activities have occurred due to the continual sloughing. A coding alert is now being used to determine what activities can occur for safety purpose.

TB still working to put vent wells in the community, but the residents do not want the wells or the flaring around their houses. TB was exploring using diagonal wells but probably won't do due to too many issues. TB met with DNR this week to review the relief well data and determine radius of influence. 25 vents wells are installed with 17 operating (flaring) and 8 are shut in for various reasons. They are burning off an average of 117.5 mcf daily (which can vary daily based on pressures). LDOTD will also be installing monitoring equipment for subsidence along Hwy. 70.

Please let me know if there is anything else specific that you were looking for. Also, could you give me a call so I can give you Monolyte status. 225-936-8832.

Thanks,
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From: Fife, Greg [mailto:fife.greg@epa.gov]
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Since the bosses saw Governor Jindal visit the area, they were interested in know if there is anything new with LDEQ on the issue?



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